

## United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

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Dear Madam Speaker:

Pursuant to Section 36(c) and Section 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act, I am transmitting, herewith, certification of a proposed manufacturing license agreement for the manufacture of significant military equipment abroad and the export of defense articles, including technical data and defense services in the amount of \$100,000,000 or more.

The transaction contained in the attached certification involves the export of defense articles, including technical data, and defense services for the manufacture of sixteen CH-47F Chinook Helicopters for the Italian Ministry of Defense.

The United States Government is prepared to license the export of these items having taken into account political, military, economic, human rights and arms control considerations.

More detailed information is contained in the formal certification which, though unclassified, contains business information submitted to the Department of State by the applicant, publication of which could cause competitive harm to the United States firm concerned.

Sincerely,

Assistant Secretary

Legislative Affairs

Enclosure:

Transmittal No. DDTC 102-09

The Honorable

Nancy Pelosi,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.